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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This Response to Restriction Requirement (hereinafter referred to as "Response") is responsive to the Office Communication dated March 25, 2003 (Paper No. 12) (herein referred to as "Office Action"). Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Response & Amendment.

This Response & Amendment is believed timely filed. Should this Amendment not be considered timely filed, Applicant hereby requests a retroactive extension of time to file for the number of months required to maintain pendancy of the Application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-0258.

## REMARKS

This Response & Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed on March 25,

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If an Extension of Time, is deemed necessary, please consider this paper a Petition for such an Extension.